GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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NATIONALISATION OF RIVERS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to adopt some rivers as national assets;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds allocated for projects on such rivers and the time frame fixed for their implementation;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide 90 per cent funding for these projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)to(d) The Central Government has declared 14 water resources projects as National Projects subject to working out the mode of financing in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission. For these projects it is proposed to provide 90% project cost of irrigation and drinking water component of the project as Central Grant after techno-economic appraisal of the Detailed Project Report and Investment clearance by the Planning Commission. The details of the 14 National Projects are given in Annex-I. The irrigation benefits from these projects is estimated to be about 21 lakh ha apart from additional indirect irrigation benefits and availability of drinking water.